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Holocaust Denial on Trial Is Ken Waltzer on the outs; or is he in hiding?

By Carolyn Yeager



Deborah Lipstadt slammed leaders of the Claims Conference on June 26, 2013. Getty Images.

Prof. Kenneth Waltzer used to be the man to go to when the press wanted to know what to think about any "holocaust" scandal.

An example is the book, that was ready to be made into a movie, by [Herman and Roma](#) Rosenblat, *Angel at the Fence*. Waltzer gained a lot from his role in debunking the story – even though it was easy to do, receiving attention in the press as an "honest holocaust historian." Waltzer teaches German history at Michigan State University and is

also director of its Jewish Studies Program since 1992 - with some time off.

When he was [interviewed by Harper's](#) magazine about the Rosenblat fraud in December 2008, it boosted his reputation and standing. But for some time now, the only one getting the media attention is **Deborah Lipstadt**, professor of Jewish Studies at Emory University. I have not seen a word written, nor any kind of announcement from Waltzer about his main project for months. He

spent 2011-2012 as the [Winegarden Visiting Professor](#) at UM-Flint during which time he [worked with students](#) creating their own papers to add to the overabundance of holocaust lore & trivia already in existence.

An interesting sidelight is that his students were [directed to use "testimonies and memoirs"](#) as primary sources, and "books and articles" as secondary sources. There is obviously no need for original documents in Prof. Waltzer's classes.

I have been scrutinizing Waltzer on the pages of *Elie Wiesel Cons The World* – EWCTW, not only for *mistakes* in his holocaust historical account, but also for *deception* and *cover-ups*.

Can it be that, from this, Ken Waltzer has come to be seen as more of a liability than an asset to other holocaust historians? I can only say it is possible, and Deborah Lipstadt is one who would make such a determination faster than many others.

Lipstadt is like a pitbull when it comes to fighting to keep her Jewish Holo Legend afloat; like a hound dog when it comes to sniffing out dangers to it.

Could it be that she has smelled a bad odor coming from Waltzer's repeated screw-ups as revealed right here at EWCTW, and perhaps has even had a private "scholar to scholar" meeting with him?

Imagined Scenario

"You're going on the sidelines, Kenny, and I will take over. I don't want to hear a peep from you until I can assess things and come up with the way forward. Because of your stupid "Rescue of the Children of Buchenwald," Elie may now be damaged beyond repair ... and even *he* is not more important than preserving the integrity of our sacred Holocaust narrative. If Elie Wiesel is not more important – then you, Ken Waltzer, are certainly not!"

Lipstadt's special relationship with the Claims Conference

In any event, Lipstadt has taken it upon herself to go after the [Jewish Claims Conference](#) officials who handed out hundreds of millions of dollars of German taxpayers' money to fake holo survivors for 8 years before they "discovered" in 2009 what they had been warned about in 2001.

You can read about her reaction [here](#). The failure on the part of the Claims Conference is certainly bad, but my concern here is more with why Waltzer has nothing to say about it, or why news reporters are not seeking his remarks on Lipstadt's comments. Has Kenny been put in the dog house?

Lipstadt has come out slugging as the "honest holocaust historian" on a new ["Jewish Facebook" page](#) on June 26. She is listed as a poster

on this page, along with [Rabbi David Wolpe](#).

She wrote dismissively of the Claims Conference, saying that "No one will resign. No one will admit that they screwed up... big time." This informs us that in spite of her show of outrage, she considers it just a screw-up ... not a crime! – Jews don't commit crimes.

But still and all, she remains a "great fan" because of the CC support of survivors *and historians*. Historians?

Lipstadt said the Claims Conference **funded** the translation of portions of her website, [Holocaust Denial on Trial](#), into Arabic, Farsi, Russian, and Turkish.

"I remain tremendously grateful to The Claims Conference **for this** and other important educational and humanitarian work it has done," Lipstadt said.

So the Claims Conference, that was instituted to provide a lifetime allowance for "holocaust survivors" who allegedly meet the requirements, *also* gives German taxpayer money to historians for their websites on which they promote a pro-holocaust narrative and belief. And attack those who are skeptical about it, as Lipstadt does on her ["Holocaust Denial on Trial"](#) website.

Is the Claims Conference to be a *supporter* of pro-holocaust propaganda, or is it to be the administrative arm for determining who is an eligible survivor? It seems to me that Deborah Lipstadt is as guilty of mishandling these funds as anyone! However, on the Claims Conference web site on the ["What We Do"](#) page we find:

We fund social services that assist elderly, needy Nazi victims, and allocate limited funds to support Holocaust education, documentation and research.

They have snuck those words into the third item of the four, after the part about funding social services for elderly, needy victims. If it's legitimate, why do they have to sneak it? Why not make it an item of its own.

Lipstadt's relationship with Ken Waltzer

On Dec. 28, 2008, Deborah Lipstadt [wrote this](#) on her blog about Waltzer's work:

"Professor Ken Waltzer, who did the research that essentially confirmed that Herman Rosenblatt's memoir

was fabricated, has issued the following statement. It is **exceptional in its sensitivity and its focus on the real culprits** in this entire messy saga.

>>I have learned tonight that Penguin Berkley Press has pulled the memoir, *Angel at the Fence*, which I and others have been investigating, from publication. Herman Rosenblat has shared the news that he invented the false story with Harris Salomon, president of Atlantic Overseas Pictures, and Harris Salomon has told the publisher. Penguin Berkley Press will seek restitution.

[The second sentence is awkwardly written, something that is common in Waltzer's writing, showing he was not well educated before his admission to the graduate History program at Harvard. You decide for yourself how he got in. -cy]

I am saddened by the whole thing. First, Herman and Roma Rosenblat are of course to be faulted for **making up** a Holocaust love story and seeking fame and public attention, **but their lying and dissimulating are actually understandable.**

Less understandable is the widespread belief in their story by the culture makers, including the publisher and movie maker and many thousands of others who have encountered it over a decade.

Second, **such belief suggests a broad illiteracy about the Holocaust** and about experience in the camps — **despite decades of books, serious memoirs, museums, and movies.** This shakes this historian up.

This memoir was at the far end of implausibility, yet until yesterday, **no one** connected with packaging, promoting, and disseminating it **asked question about or investigated it. It is same with Elie Wiesel, exactly!** Some actively resisted such investigation and tried to shut mine down.

[Yes, indeed, investigation into Elie Wiesel's *Night* is just as necessary as into the Rosenblat story.-cy]

The idea of a prisoner autonomously going to the fence daily, every day, in a Nazi concentration camp and meeting a young girl at the guarded, electrified fence who was allegedly hiding under false identity with her family in the nearby village and who threw him food beggars the

imagination. Prisoners in Konzentrationslager could not approach guarded fences; persons in hiding with a primary family group would not risk detection by going daily to a camp where SS guards were concentrated. The actual fence in Schlieben was right next to the SS barracks.

So Herman and Roma **overreached** and actually demeaned their own Holocaust stories — Herman forgot his brothers who kept him alive in the camps, Roma forgot her own remarkable and sad family story hiding not in Schlieben but elsewhere more than 200 miles away.

But where were the culture makers on this one? What kind of questions did Penguin Berkley Press bring to bear regarding a memoir about a love story set in a concentration camp? What kind of strategy did Harris Salomon embrace to elevate a candy coated Holocaust love story to bring Holocaust education to Middle America? **This was not Holocaust education but miseducation.** Holocaust

experience is not heartwarming, it is heart rending. All this shows something about the broad unwillingness in our culture to confront the difficult knowledge of the Holocaust. **All the more important then to have real memoirs that tell of real experience in the camps.**

[But real memoirs are called Holocaust **Denial** by D. Lipstadt! - cy]

I want to thank those who have worked with me - particularly forensic genealogists Sharon Sergeant and Colleen Fitzpatrick, and amateur Schlieben historian Uwe Schwarz and his associate Jean-Luis Rey. I also want to thank the many survivors, including Ben

Helfgott and Sid Finkel, who put their trust in me and shared their knowledge. Gabe Sherman's reportage at the New Republic has been remarkable, and there will be more to say in the coming days.

[See all the help he needs! LOL-cy]

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Finally, a [podcast](#) produced by Lipstadt's denial website:

It carries no date, but would be from 2008-09, or early 2010 at the latest! The interviewer's name was Leshem.

Leshem: Finally, finally, can you just tell us what the title of your forthcoming book is and when we might expect it?

Waltzer: Well, **I've got probably another year of writing to go.**

[At that time! So what happened? Give an explanation please. Where is the book? - cy.]

The current title is *The Rescue of Children and Youths at Buchenwald*, and it tells the story of the communist-led underground in the camp who in '43 and '44 evolved a response to the rise of young children and youths inside Buchenwald. They tried to protect them; they tried to increase the likelihood or probability that they would endure until the end of the war. They did it in an ad-hoc (very specific) way because they didn't have control of the transports and they didn't know who, or what number, would be coming. And initially they didn't save very many. Many were sent to the outlying camps and died doing harsh work.

[How does he know?]

But from summer of '44 on, against the backdrop of the Allies coming closer from both East and West, which the underground knew

about, the underground kept large numbers of boys inside the camp, kept them from being sent out to the outlying sub camps, sheltered them in barracks under underground control — a kind of tough love disciplined control — and gave them access to extra clothing and food, and even in a couple of cases in some barracks conducted schools that lifted their minds beyond the everyday nastiness of the camp.

[This all comes from testimony - not under oath - of communists, Jews, and communist Jews, not from records. Furthermore, it would not have been possible, and also was not necessary. - cy.]

And as a consequence, that **helps answer the question how it is that there were 904 boys alive to be liberated** when Patton's army showed up. They had been nurtured, protected, and helped to be made safe by older men, including Communists from Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary, and a Polish-Jewish element that worked with the underground to help save the boys.

[You see how they have to credit themselves for the survival of youngsters because it doesn't fit their overall extermination narrative. Yet, the youth were looked after because the German camp administration saw to it that they were looked after. Following the "liberations," all the German personnel were killed or arrested or were forced to flee, thus the "victims" could tell any story they wished. *If* there were any honest ones, they were soon silenced. -cy]

<http://www.eliewieseltattoo.com/is-ken-waltzer-on-the-outs-no-longer-cited-as-a-holocaust-expert/>

This is about Andrew Bolt's confrontation with Australia's Racial Discrimination Act's Section 18c

Free speech debate is coloured by hypocrisy

August 10, 2012, [Richard Ackland](#), Sydney Morning Herald columnist

The martyrdom of Saint Andrew of Bolt is stirring a stifled nation. "Freedom of speech" rings from the battlements as this cherished right apparently faces its gravest threat.

The threat comes from a coalition of malign forces - principally the

government trying to hobble us with a Finkelstein regime of journalistic ethics and standards, and from section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act -Commonwealth.

Fortunately, there is a powerful alliance to defend this freedom for

us - the opposition and its leader, Tony Abbott, News Ltd and the Institute of Public Affairs.

You'd be forgiven if you were muddled by all this righteous indignation about Mr Bolt's freedom to litter error-prone attacks across

the pages of News Ltd papers and blogs.

It harks back to the articles in which the celebrity provocateur attacked mixed-race, fair-skinned people as "choosing" to identify as Aborigines so as to gain privileges and assistance that would be better directed elsewhere.

Last September, Justice Mordecai Bromberg found that fair-skinned Aborigines would be reasonably likely to have been "offended, insulted, humiliated or intimidated" by the articles and that this amounted to an offence under s18C of the RDA. Retractions and grovels were required.

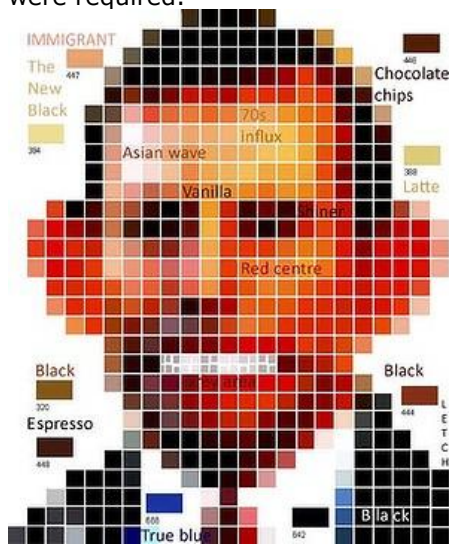


Illustration: Simon Letch

Sadly for all of us, Mr Bolt's hurt and humiliation never went away. Moments after the judgment was delivered, he declared it a "terrible day for free speech in this country". Last week at a lunch with the former opposition leader Mark Latham, as reported in *The Australian Financial Review*, Bolt revealed that the experience had left him feeling "very depressed, very alarmed and very cynical about these laws".

"What does it say about free speech?" he asked. "My columns

were figuratively burned - that's what it was, it was book burning."

At a speech this week to the Institute of Public Affairs, Tony Abbott climbed on his free-speech high horse (as Gore Vidal would say, "tethered conveniently near"). He accused the government of "state-sponsored bullying" because of its "jihad against mining magnates" and its attack on Gina Rinehart as a "danger to democracy".

These vulnerable people need as much coddling as can be mustered. To make sure Bolt would never again be offended, Abbott promised to repeal s18C of the RDA. Presumably, he'll also have to prevail on the states, many of which have similar provisions in their legislation.

At this point in the process of being serially gobsmacked, it might be worth a moment to inject some context. Neither Bolt nor his paper contested the factual claims put to the court by the claimants in the s18C case. Their claims to have always identified as Aborigines and been brought up as such were not challenged in the court. The newspaper and its journalist did not appeal the decision or seek the High Court's view about the right to freedom of speech and whether the articles were protected by the implied constitutional right to free speech on political or governmental affairs, as discovered in the case of *David Lange v the Australian Broadcasting Commission*.

Actually, while we're in this territory, it might be worth remembering that conservative politicians were appalled by both the Mabo and Lange decisions of the High Court. They were regarded

as the high water mark of "judicial activism" and led the Howard government to hunt around for a "Capital C Conservative" judge to appoint to the court. Ian Callinan was duly elevated and went on to declare his distaste for the creation of an implied constitutional right of free speech.

Then there was a campaign for an Australian Bill of Rights, which would have given freedom of speech a hefty leg-up. Where was Mr Abbott on that? He was right behind News Ltd's destructive campaign, tooth and claw, to tear the proposal to shreds.

For Abbott to paint himself as a protector of free speech is risible. He said in his oration: "Imagine the reaction, for instance, had the Howard government sought to gag naval personnel after 'children overboard'."

It was very unwise to go down that track because the first thing that popped into my head was Howard dispatching one of his flunkies to pull Mick Keelty into line after the AFP commissioner told Channel Nine there was a possible link between Spain's involvement in the war in Iraq and the Madrid train bombings.

The splutterings about the erosion of Bolt's free speech ignores the fact that the RDA does not baldly ban offensive and hurtful attacks of a racial nature. It requires the courts to balance those attacks with a series of exemptions, including the fair and accurate reporting of any matter of public interest - a test conspicuously failed by Bolt.

It's worth also considering that both Bolt and his publisher would have been a lot worse off had the applicants brought their actions in

defamation rather than under the RDA. But this was never about money.

The RDA legislation has been a powerful tool for good. Only this week there were reports about a Facebook "memes" page that portrayed Aborigines as drunken, petrol-sniffing layabouts. Memes, in this instance, being captioned photos of a very nasty nature. Its defenders said it was humorous,

but that idea did not have widespread acceptance. The mere spectre of the RDA saw this offensive publication come down from the internet.

Abbott's clunky speech did not finesse the boundaries. His attack on the government's deliberations on the convergence review and the Finkelstein proposals for a News Media Council to patrol journalistic standards shows that he is quite

content with the idea that a self-regulated regime, with one company straddling like a colossus the print and pay TV business in this country, is a great way to protect free speech.

But then, freedom of speech is a freedom to sprout spurious notions.

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Wistrich on 'the Left, the Jews and Israel'

By ISI LEIBLER, 08/08/2012

Candidly Speaking: Wistrich's analysis of the linkage of these revolutionaries with the Left's contemporary abandonment of Israel is a major intellectual and scholastic achievement.

Robert Wistrich, Hebrew University professor of European and Jewish History and director of the Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of anti-Semitism, has just published his 29th book titled *From Ambivalence to Betrayal: The Left, the Jews and Israel*.

It is an impressive tome of over 600 pages and follows his monumental seminal work *A Lethal Obsession: Anti-Semitism from Antiquity to the Global Jihad*, published in 2010 and now recognized as the definitive work on the world's oldest hatred, and an indispensable text for scholars.

[This is inaccurate because the world's oldest hatred is Anti-Gentilism, of which Talmud is the wellspring and Marxism its physical embodiment. – ed. AI]

In a fascinating preface to his new book, Wistrich provides a brief autobiographical sketch. His father had originally been a supporter of the illegal Polish Communist Party in pre-war Krakow but became alienated from Stalinist communism after being arrested by the NKVD. He and his wife, who had experienced bitter Polish anti-Semitism, survived the Holocaust

by fleeing to Kazakhstan, where Wistrich was born.

He was educated in England, and to use his words, was "radicalized" in grammar school and later at Stanford University. He first visited Israel in 1961, returning in 1969 when he was appointed editor of the left-wing Israeli journal, *New Outlook*. However his passion for the Jewish state led to a parting of the ways with the Israeli far left.

Robert became increasingly engaged in academic scholarship related to anti-Semitism, received a senior appointment at the Hebrew University, and is now recognized as the world's foremost scholar in the field.

From *Ambivalence to Betrayal* is a historic review and analysis of the abandonment of the Jewish people by the left from the early 19th century until the present. It also relates to the extraordinarily disproportionate number of socialist thinkers and leaders who were of Jewish origin and seeks to explain what motivated so many of them, in the course of their utopian and futile efforts to "repair the world," to abandon their people and their heritage and frenetically seek to deny their kinsmen the right to self-determination.

The introductory essay is a brilliant overview of the contemporary Jewish political arena viewed in the context of the concurrent rise of

Zionism, Communism, anti-Semitism and Nazism. It focuses strongly on the hypocrisy of the existing left, which has become obsessed with demonization and delegitimization of the Jewish state. Wistrich demonstrates the extent to which today's radical anti-Zionists, despite purporting to represent the left, often share the identical obsessions and delusions concerning the alleged malignant influence of the Jews in the modern world as classical fascist anti-Semites.

Wistrich provides fascinating and innovative insights on left-wing revolutionaries.

He skillfully relates the connection of "the prefigured 19th century seabed of anti-Semitic socialism found in Marx, Fourier and Proudhon, extending through to the orthodox Communists and 'non-conformist' Trotskyites to the Islamo-leftist hybrids of today who systematically vilify the so called racist essence of the Jewish State."

His analysis of the linkage of these revolutionaries with the left's contemporary abandonment of Israel is a major intellectual and scholastic achievement and provides an intriguing insight into the sources of the far left's current application of double standards and anti-Israel venom.

[But it's a dishonest analysis because Taslmud is not mentioned. – ed AI.]

WISTRICH REVIEWS in depth the attitude towards the Jews adopted by many of the great socialist revolutionaries of Jewish origin like Karl Marx, Bernard Lazare, Moses Hess, Ferdinand LaSalle, Karl Kautsky, Victor Adler, Rosa Luxemburg, Leon Trotsky, Bruno Kreisky, Isaac Deutscher and others.

His chapter on Leon Trotsky, entitled "A Bolshevik's Tragedy," is a masterful essay which breaks new ground on this extraordinary, charismatic Jewish revolutionary who desperately sought to repudiate his Jewish origins. Yet, despite achieving the reputation of being "the most intransigent of revolutionary Bolsheviks," Trotsky was ultimately forced by Stalin into assuming the traditional Jewish role in society and became reviled as the scapegoat for the failures of the Revolution.

Wistrich highlights the fact that many of today's anti-Jewish Jews inherited the mantle of the 19th and early 20th century anti-Semitic Jewish radical revolutionaries. Yet he stresses that these renegade Jews have vastly exceeded the anti-Semitic tirades of their predecessors and even to the extent of allying themselves with reactionary clerical zealots and jihadists, who represent the antithesis of their purported world outlook.

He points to their public support and endorsement of terrorists and religious fanatics, noting that even the most extreme early anti-Jewish revolutionaries like Marx, Engels,

Kautsky, Rosa Luxemburg or Trotsky "would never have remained silent about Shari'a law, censorship, female [and male – ed. AI] genital mutilation, honor killings, suicide bombings, or making the world safe for Allah's rule," and rarely resorted to outright racist outbursts like their current successors.

Nor would they have gone to the extreme of allying themselves with those explicitly committed to our physical destruction.

Wistrich asserts that Holocaust inversion, now a major component of the Left's effort to besmirch Israel, while initially introduced by British historian Arnold Toynbee who referred to Zionists as "disciples of the Nazis," was in fact institutionalized as the "Zionist-Nazi" nexus at the Prague Trials orchestrated from Moscow.

He reminds us that it was post-war Jewish Marxists who encouraged the left's current paranoia and "anti-racist" racism against Israel. As an example he quotes the Polish-born Jewish biographer of Trotsky, Isaac Deutscher, who already in 1967 described Israel as the "Prussia of the Middle East" and a bastion of "racial Talmudic exclusiveness and superiority."

It was the Soviets who, in 1975, succeeded in passing a UN resolution bracketing Zionism and racism. While this was ultimately rescinded in December 1991, it remains today the central plank in the Arab-leftist efforts to criminalize Israel and brand it as a state engaging in war crimes.

The concluding chapters review the anti-Zionist myths, many of which seem to have been directly

replicated from Nazi propaganda and are today enthusiastically promoted by the Marxist Islamist alliance who regard Israel as the "Jew of the nations" fulfilling a dark preordained fate as an eternal scapegoat.

Wistrich relates to the quasi-religious belief of these groups that "the world will only be 'liberated' by the downfall of America and the defeat of the Jews.

This chiliastic fantasy has today emerged as a notable point of fusion between the radical anti-Zionist left in the West and the global jihad. Revolutionary anti-Semitism has become an increasingly important factor in cementing the anti-capitalist populism, much as it was during the birth pangs of modern socialism over 150 years ago."

This is a magisterial work, providing a comprehensive understanding of the origins of the most pernicious challenges currently facing the Jewish people – especially those originating from the enemy within.

It will be especially valuable to those directly engaged in the struggle to neutralize the evil efforts against Israel by the left-Islamic alliance and its acolytes of Jewish origin.

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....now for Hollywood in Mongolia....

[**In Focus** with Alan Taylor]

A Mongolian Neo-Nazi Environmentalist Walks into a Lingerie Store in Ulan Bator

JULY 6, 2013 *THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY*

Reuters photographer Carlos Barria spent time documenting Mongolian neo-Nazi group Tsagaan Khass, one of several ultra-nationalist groups that have expanded in the country. The 100-plus members of Tsagaan Khass have recently shifted their focus from activities such as attacks on women it accuses of consorting with foreign men to environmental issues. The group is rebranding itself now as an environmentalist organization fighting pollution by foreign-owned mines, seeking legitimacy as it sends Swastika-wearing members to check mining permits.

Alarm sounds over rise of extreme groups such as Tsagaan Khass who respect Hitler and reject foreign influence

Their right hands rise to black-clad chests and flash out in salute to their nation: "Sieg heil!" They praise Hitler's devotion to ethnic purity.

But with their high cheekbones, dark eyes and brown skin, they are hardly the Third Reich's Aryan ideal. A new strain of Nazism has found an unlikely home: [Mongolia](#).

Once again, ultra-nationalists have emerged from an impoverished economy and turned upon outsiders. This time the main targets come from [China](#), the rising power to the south.

Groups such as Tsagaan Khass, or White Swastika, portray themselves as patriots standing up for ordinary citizens in the face of foreign crime, rampant inequality, political indifference and corruption.

But critics say they scapegoat and attack the innocent. The US state department has warned travellers of increased assaults on inter-racial couples in recent years – including organised violence by ultra-nationalist groups.

Dayar Mongol threatened to shave the heads of women who sleep with

Chinese men. Three years ago, the leader of Blue Mongol was convicted of murdering his daughter's boyfriend, reportedly because the young man had studied in China.

Though Tsagaan Khass leaders say they do not support violence, they are self-proclaimed Nazis. "Adolf Hitler was someone we respect. He taught us how to preserve national identity," said the 41-year-old co-founder, who calls himself Big Brother.

"We don't agree with his extremism and starting the second world war. We are against all those killings, but we support his ideology. We support nationalism rather than fascism."

It is, by any standards, an extraordinary choice. Under Hitler, Soviet prisoners of war who appeared Mongolian were singled out for execution. More recently, far-right groups in Europe have attacked Mongolian migrants.

Not all ultra-nationalists use this iconography; and widespread ignorance about the Holocaust and other atrocities may help to explain why some do.

Tsagaan Khass points out that the swastika is an ancient Asian symbol – which is true, but does not explain the group's use of Nazi colours, the Nazi eagle and the Nazi salute; or the large picture of the Führer on Big Brother's cigarette case.

Nor does it seem greatly relevant, given their unabashed admiration for Hitler's racial beliefs.

"We have to make sure that as a nation our blood is pure. That's about our independence," said 23-year-old Battur, pointing out that the population is under three million.

"If we start mixing with Chinese, they will slowly swallow us up. Mongolian society is not very rich. Foreigners come with a lot of

money and might start taking our women."

Big Brother acknowledges he discovered such ideas through the nationalist groups that emerged in Russia after the Soviet Union's fall; Mongolia had been a satellite state. But the anti-Chinese tinge is distinct and increasingly popular.

"While most people feel far-right discourse is too extreme, there seems to be a consensus that China is imperialistic, 'evil' and intent on taking Mongolia," said Franck Billé of Cambridge University, who is researching representations of Chinese people in Mongolia.

Hip hop tracks such as Don't Go Too Far, You Chinks by 4 Züg – chorus: "shoot them all, all, all" – have been widely played in bars and clubs. Urban myths abound; some believe Beijing has a secret policy of encouraging men to have sex with Mongolian women.

Yet Tsagaan Khass claims it welcomes law-abiding visitors of all races, and Big Brother can certainly be hospitable.

Enthusiastically shaking hands, he says: "Even though you are a British citizen, you are still Asian, and that makes you very cool."

He says the younger members have taught him to be less extreme and the group appears to be reshaping itself – expelling "criminal elements" and insisting on a good education as a prerequisite for membership. One of the leaders is an interior designer.

But critics fear ultra-nationalists are simply becoming more sophisticated and, quietly, more powerful. Tsagaan Khass say it "works closely" with other organisations and is now discussing a merger.

"Some people are in complete denial ... [but] we can no longer deny this is a problem," said Anaraa Nyamdorj, of Mongolia's Lesbian,

Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Centre.

The US state department has noted increased reports of xenophobic attacks since the spring. The UN country review cites a recent vicious assault on three young transgender women. When one of the victims publicly blamed an ultra-nationalist group – not Tsagaan Khass – death threats quickly followed.

"They are getting more support from the public," added Enkhjargal Davaasuren, director of the National Centre Against Violence, who fears that ultra-nationalists are growing more confident and victims too scared to come forward. She pointed to a YouTube video posted last year, showing a man roughly shaving a woman's long hair. The

victim's face is buried in her hands, but her hunched body reeks of fear. Others in Ulan Bator suggest the movement is waning and suspect the groups' menacing stance and claims of 3,000 members are bluster. Billé thinks there is "a lot of posturing".

"We have heard of instances [of violence]. They are not necessarily all right or all wrong," said Javkhlan, a Tsagaan Khass leader. But the group is simply a "law enforcement" body, he maintained: "We do checks; we go to hotels and restaurants to make sure Mongolian girls don't do prostitution and foreigners don't break the laws.

"We don't go through and beat the shit out of everyone. We check our information and make sure it's true."

They rely on police and media pressure to reform such businesses, he added. And if that failed? "We try to avoid using power," he said. "That would be our very last resort."

Mongolian neo-Nazis: Anti-Chinese sentiment fuels rise of ultra-nationalism - Guardian,

August 2, 2010

Tania Branigan in Ulan Bator, The Guardian, Tuesday 3 August 2010 01.13 AEST

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Ariunbold Altankhuu, founder of the Mongolian neo-Nazi group Tsagaan Khass, walks through a lingerie store as he leaves the group's headquarters in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013. The group has rebranded itself as an environmentalist organization fighting pollution by foreign-owned mines, seeking legitimacy as it sends Swastika-wearing members to check mining permits. (Reuters/Carlos Barria)



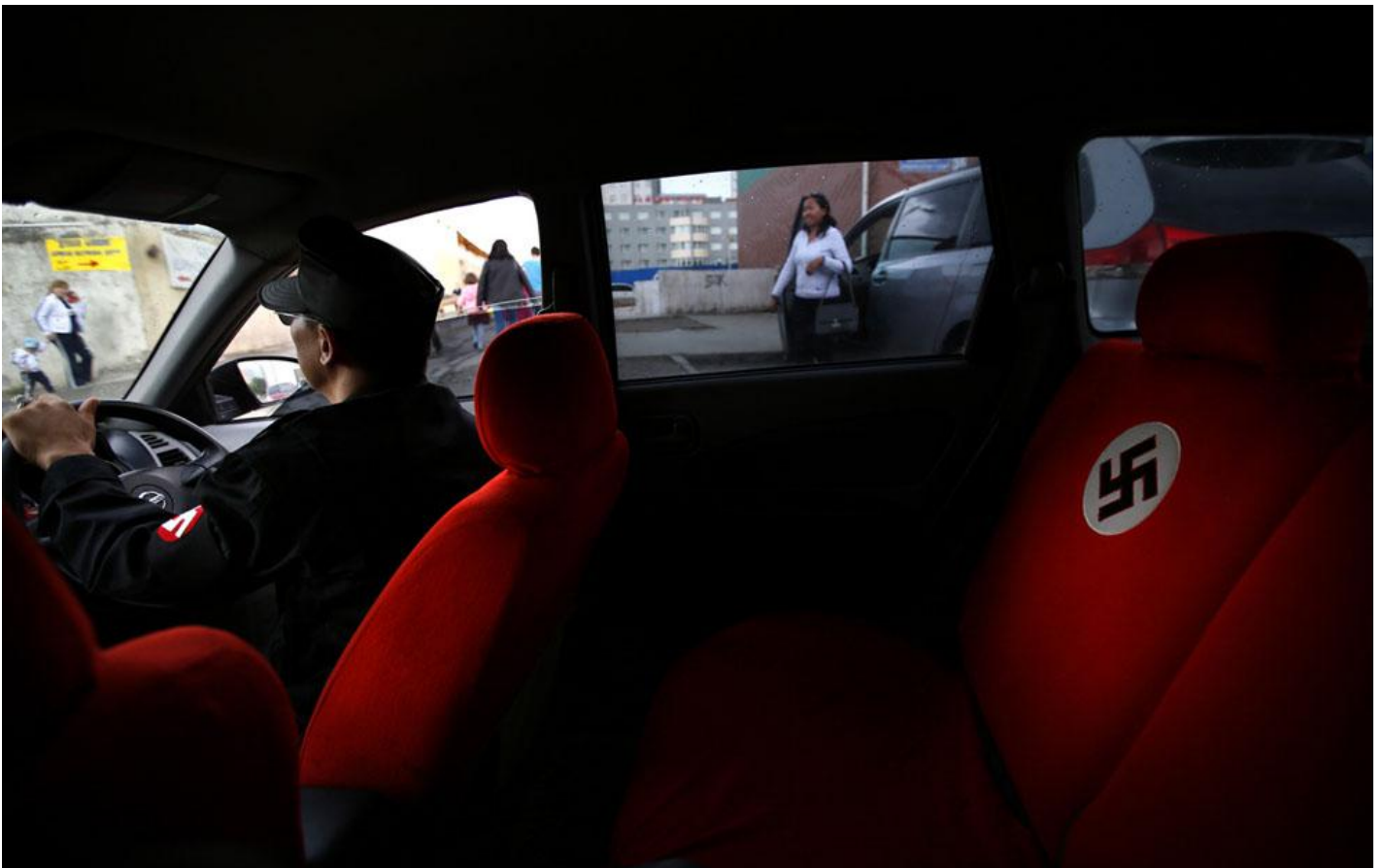
Uranjargal, a leader of the neo-Nazi group Tsagaan Khass, stands near a quarry during a so-called "environmental patrol", 50km southwest of Ulan Bator, on June 23, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Ariunbold Altankhuum, founder of Tsagaan Khass, smokes as he sits at his desk at the group headquarters in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Members of Tsagaan Khass hang up portraits of Mongolian heroes at the group's headquarters in Ulan Bator, on June 24, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



A swastika, on the seat of a car belonging to Ariunbold, leader of Tsagaan Khass, as he drives along a busy street in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



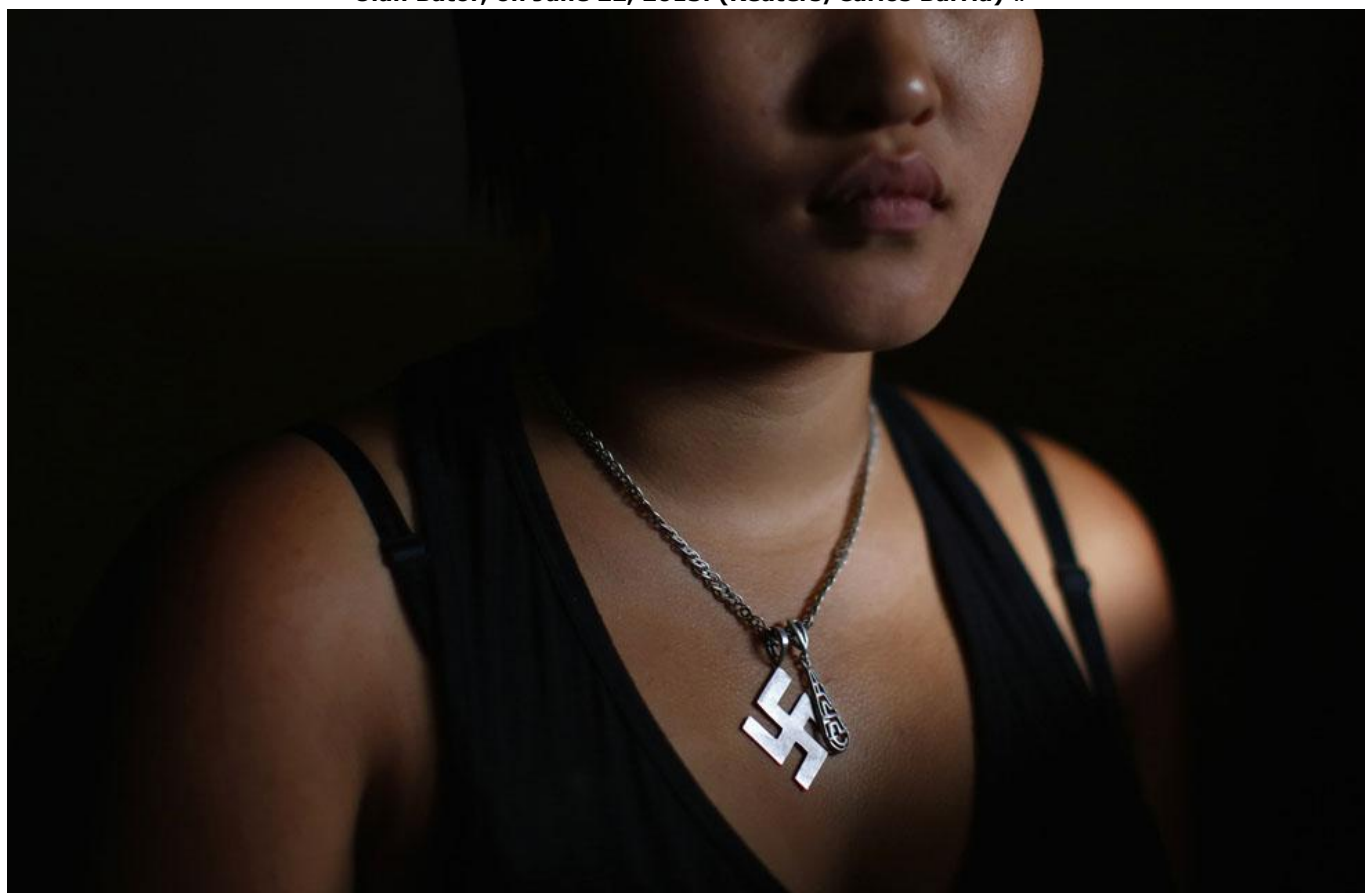
**Members of Mongolian neo-Nazi group Tsagaan Khass walk along a street in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013.
(Reuters/Carlos Barria) #**



**A member of a self-described skinhead group clenches his fist as he trains at a gym in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013.
(Reuters/Carlos Barria) #**



Ariunbold, founder of Tsagaan Khass, stands near a statue of Chingunjav, a Mongolian national hero (unseen), in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Uranjargal, a leader of Tsagaan Khass, poses for a portrait at the group's headquarters, on June 23, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Tattoos on the back of a member of a self-described skinhead group as he trains at a gym in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



A member of Tsagaan Khass stands next to a "ger", a traditional Mongolian tent, at a quarry, where they questioned a worker, southwest of Ulan Bator, on June 23, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



A member of Tsagaan Khass takes a photograph at a quarry during a so-called "environmental patrol", southwest of Ulan Bator, on June 23, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Members of Tsagaan Khass talk to a quarry worker, on June 23, 2013. The group has rebranded itself as an environmentalist organization fighting pollution by foreign-owned mines, seeking legitimacy as it sends Swastika-wearing members to check mining permits. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Members of Tsagaan Khass, during a visit a quarry, on June 23, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



Uranjargal, a leader of Tsagaan Khass, stands next to a statue of Chingunjav, a Mongolian national hero, in Ulan Bator, on June 22, 2013. (Reuters/Carlos Barria) #



**Chimedbaatar, a member Tsagaan Khas, poses for a portrait at the group's headquarters, on June 23, 2013.
(Reuters/Carlos Barria) #**



**Mongolian neo-Nazi group the Tsagaan Khas ('White Swastika') salute on the streets of the capital Ulan Bator
Photograph: Dan Chung for the Guardian**



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